# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# POWER
# LOK SABHA

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CONSUMPTION OF ELECTRICITY
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to bring legislation to check excessive consumption of electricity in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER ( SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA )

(a) to (c) : The Energy Conservation Act, 2001 (52 of 2001) has already been enactedto provide for efficient use of energy and its conservation and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. The Act empowers the Central Government to :

? notify energy intensive industries, other establishments, and commercial buildings as designated consumers.

? Establish and prescribe energy consumption norms and standards for designated consumers.

? Direct designated consumers to :

- Designate or appoint certified energy manger in charge of activities for efficient use of energy and its conservation.
- Get an energy audit conducted by an accredited energy auditor in the specified manner and intervals of time.
- Furnish information with regard to energy consumed and action taken on the recommendation of the accredited energy auditor to the designated agency.
- Comply with energy consumption norms and standards, and if not so, to prepare and implement schemes for efficient use of energy and its conservation.
- Direct mandatory display of label on notified equipment and appliances.

- Specify energy consumption standards for notified equipment and appliances.
- Prohibit manufacture, sale, purchase and import of notified equipment and appliances not conforming to standards.

The Act also empowers the State Governments to:

? Prescribe energy conservation building codes for efficient use of energy and its conservation in commercial buildings.

? Amend the energy conservation building codes to suit regional and local climatic conditions.

? Direct owners or occupiers of commercial buildings to comply with the provisions of energy conservation building codes.